

## AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the first full paragraph on Page 7 of the specification with the following:

--FIG. 3 is a flow chart of method 120 for printing a pattern. Method 120 includes stage 122 of determining an illumination scheme in response to the pattern, and stage 124 of directing, in response to the determination, at least one beam of radiation 30 having a first cross-section 32 towards ~~[[an]]~~ a saturable absorber such as to allow a portion of said beam ~~beam~~ 30 to propagate towards a radiation sensitive layer; wherein the portion has a second cross-section 34 that is smaller than the first cross-section 32. In some cases the second cross section 34 is about half of the first cross-section 32. --